## 106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## S. RES. 347

Designating the week of September 17, 2000, through September 23, 2000, as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Week.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

**SEPTEMBER 5, 2000** 

Ms. Landrieu (for herself, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. Hutchison, Ms. Collins, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Lincoln, Ms. Mikulski, and Ms. Snowe) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## **RESOLUTION**

- Designating the week of September 17, 2000, through September 23, 2000, as National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Week.
- Whereas 1 out of every 55 women will develop ovarian cancer at some point during her life;
- Whereas over 70 percent of women with ovarian cancer will not be diagnosed until ovarian cancer has spread beyond the ovary;
- Whereas prompt diagnosis of ovarian cancer is crucial to effective treatment, with the chances of curing the disease before it has spread beyond the ovaries ranging from 85 to 90 percent, as compared to between 20 and 25 percent after the cancer has spread;

- Whereas several easily identifiable factors, particularly a family history of ovarian cancer, can help determine how susceptible a woman is to developing the disease;
- Whereas effective early testing is available to women who have a high risk of developing ovarian cancer;
- Whereas heightened public awareness can make treatment of ovarian cancer more effective for women who are at-risk; and
- Whereas the Senate, as an institution, and members of Congress, as individuals, are in unique positions to help raise awareness about the need for early diagnosis and treatment for ovarian cancer: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—
  - 2 (1) designates the week of September 17, 2000,
  - 3 through September 23, 2000, as National Ovarian
  - 4 Cancer Awareness Week; and
  - 5 (2) requests that the President issue a procla-
  - 6 mation calling upon the people of the United States
  - 7 to observe National Ovarian Cancer Awareness
  - 8 Week with appropriate recognition and activities.

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